



Mini-Grants to Promote Farm to Fork Projects while improving Access and Consumption of Fruits and Vegetables for all Montanans

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Dear Organization/ Agency Personnel,

Are you interested in creating a more healthful environment in your school or organization? Do you have ideas about adding a new twist to increase the access to and/or the consumption of fruits and vegetables through the implementation of policies or environmental change? Do you see a need to improve the fruit and vegetable options offered at your organization or school to make the environment healthier for all? Are you in need of funds to implement your Farm to Fork ideas? If so, you may want to take advantage of this grant opportunity.

The Montana Nutrition and Physical Activity Program and Eat Right Montana are offering \$7,000 total in mini-grants to support childcare facilities, schools, and other organizations/agencies that want to improve the health of Montanans through the promotion of eating locally grown fruits and vegetables. Mini-grants of up to **\$1,000** will be awarded to programs that take positive, sustainable action steps to make policy and environmental changes to increase access to and/or promotion of locally grown fruits and vegetables.

Please give this letter and mini-grant application to interested childcare programs, school personnel, administrators, board members, parent organizations, or community groups that work with children. The deadline for submitting an application is December 15, 2006. Grants will be awarded in early February 2007. Each grantee will receive 75% of its award in February, and will receive the remaining 25% of its award when it submits its final evaluation and report. Funds must be used by June 1, 2007.

I look forward to receiving your completed application. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or need further clarification.

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